

# California Trails and Greenways Conference 2010

## Pre-Conference Field Workshop

### Urban Trails Tour of San Luis Obispo

San Luis Obispo County is blessed with many urban trails. These trails serve residents and visitors in the communities of Morro Bay, San Luis Obispo, Avila, Grover Beach, Pismo Beach and points in between. These trails take in a wide variety of terrain and character from urban rail-with-trail, to trails on and connecting to the lovely coastal areas. This trip will allow you to see and learn about the challenges and opportunities in developing, funding, and managing these urban trails and how agencies in this region work together to build more trails



This will be an all day field trip departing Cambria Pines Lodge at 8:00 am and returning at about 4:00 pm. A box lunch will be provided. You will be traveling by bus and will be stopping often to take walks on trails. Walks will generally be short with an option to stay on the bus. The first stop on the tour will be at the northern end of the tour route in Morro Bay to see the Harbor Walk and discuss the status and plans for the Coastal Trail from points north of Morro Bay and south to Avila. The bus will then proceed to San Luis Obispo for visits to the rail-with-trail at Cal Poly and near the San Luis Obispo Train Depot. The next stop will be the San Luis Creek Trail in downtown San Luis Obispo for a short walk. The bus will next depart to the Pismo Promenade with discussions of other parks and trails in route. After lunch at the Pismo Promenade, the bus will load for Monarch Grove for a walk to Grover Beach/Pismo State Beach for discussion of Cities' collaboration on the promenade and the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail opportunities. Next stop will be at the Avila Pier with discussions of several trail connections in the area including the Coastal Trail. The last stop will be at the Bob Jones Trail to discuss the status and future connections on the trail.





The planned itinerary for April 21, 2010 follows:

7:30 am-Assemble to board bus at Cambria Pines Lodge

8:00 am-Bus leaves for Morro Bay

8:30 am-Morro Bay Harbor Walk

9:20 am-Trail discussions in route to San Luis Obispo

9:30 an -Trail walks and discussions in San Luis Obispo

Noon- Lunch (included) at Pismo Promenade

2:00 pm-Port San Luis Harbor/Avila area

2:25 pm-pm-Bob Jones Trail

3:00 pm-Bus leaves for Cambria Pines Lodge

The bus will be with you all day with several short hikes. Restrooms will be available at a number of locations throughout the day. Most walking will be on paved or hardened trails, but you may also walk on soft trails with uneven surfaces. Grades will be gentle. Be sure to wear hiking or comfortable walking shoes. Generally weather is nice in April but be prepared for cold, wet, foggy, windy or warm weather. Layer your clothing and bring a day pack to carry extra clothes and water. Sunscreen is advisable as portions of the trails will be in direct sun light. The field trip will be held regardless of weather.

**Come visit San  
Luis Obispo  
County's  
wonderful  
urban trails!**

